HOUSE RESOLUTION 7001 By Cooper B

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Michael A. Hooks, Jr., for his meritorious service to the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Michael A. Hooks, Jr., who has worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hooks graduated from White Station High School in Memphis,

Tennessee, where he was active in sports and student government and served as Vice

President of his senior class; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Hampton University in Hampton, Virginia, Mr. Hooks majored in political science and volunteered for numerous extracurricular and service activities, such as tutoring and mentoring inner city school children; and

WHEREAS, evincing his deep passion for politics and good government, Michael Hooks volunteered with many local and national political campaigns while working as a legislative assistant to Congressman Bobby Scott of Virginia, a member of the Congressional Education Committee; and

WHEREAS, committed to improving education though increased funding, safer learning environments, expanded parental involvement, and increased community participation, Mr. Hooks serves with distinction as the City of Memphis School Board Commissioner for the 4th District; and

WHEREAS, possessing great talent and a Puritan work ethic, Mr. Hooks is the youngest school board member in the history of the Memphis City School Board; and

WHEREAS, a young and successful entrepreneur, Michael Hooks is President of MAH Jr. Co., a government relations firm, and he is licensed in both private investigation and real estate appraisal; and

WHEREAS, devoted to public service, Mr. Hooks is an active member of the NAACP and Omega Psi Phi, Inc., and he is a trustee of Greater Middle Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, a member of the United States Coast Guard Reserve, Mr. Hooks serves this great country by defending the principles and freedoms we all hold dear; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hooks is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Michael A. Hooks, Jr. for his dedication to quality education for all and to the citizens of the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we
hereby commend Michael A. Hooks, Jr. for his honorable and astute service to the good people
of Tennessee and salute his unswerving commitment to the principles and precepts of this
venerable Nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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